



Minutes
COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES
City Hall, 5th Floor Large Conference Room
3900 Main Street
Riverside, CA 92522
November 13, 2006

Present: Lesley Robinson, Debra Keller, Linda Garcia, Jim Stream, Terry Gregersen, Suzanne Puffer, Gigi Welch, Dickey DeLoss

Absent, excused: Ed Rush, Paul Van Doren, Gene Brosious

Staff: Susan Cox, Ken Gutierrez

- I. Terry Gregersen called the meeting to order at 6:04**
- II. Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. Roll Call**
- IV. Approval of Minutes from October 16, 2006** M/S/C Welch, Garcia, unanimous approval with Commissioner Gregersen abstaining.
- V. Presentation by Ken Gutierrez, Planning Director, on the planning and zoning issues related to secondary housing units.**
- VI. Transportation to and from Commission meetings.**

Staff presented the option of having the City's Special Transit Office arranging to have accessible transportation available for Commissioners to travel to or from Commission meetings. Commissioners Puffer and Robinson indicated they would be interested in having the option available. Staff will schedule monthly with the Commissioners.

VII. Discussion of Commission workplan items for 2007

The Commission identified the following items for their 2007 workplan:

- ❖ More visibility with the City Council
- ❖ Develop a disability access guide
- ❖ Accessible transportation improvements
- ❖ Public education on service animals
- ❖ Receiving an early alert about City Council items having disability issues
- ❖ Commission brochures
- ❖ Police Department interaction with the disabled community
- ❖ Other municipalities' programs

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- ❖ Accessible recreation facilities
- ❖ Report card on parks and buildings
- ❖ Commission effectiveness
- ❖ Improve the Commission website
- ❖ Public Service Announcements on Public Access Television
- ❖ Monitor legislation effecting the disabled
- ❖ Candidate statements
- ❖ Affordable housing improvements.

The commission tabled further action on the workplan list to the next Commission meeting December 11, 2006.

VIII. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:25 PM